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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

## Veterans Employment and Benefits Fair offered by the Weatherford Public Library

WEATHERFORD (CITY OF WEATHERFORD), Texas - The City of Weatherford Public Library will host the Veterans Employment and Benefits Fair, Monday, Aug. 14, located at 1014 Charles Street beginning at 2 p.m. and concluding at 7 p.m. The event is a free event offered to all veterans, military members and their families.

Resource providers will be available who represent businesses, community service groups, health care professionals, Veterans Affairs (VA) benefits organizations and education/training programs. Participating agencies and organizations include, but are not limited to, the Military Veteran Peer Network, Family Endeavors, Texas Veterans Commission – Weatherford Workforce Center and the Department of Veterans Affairs.

"The fair is part of the Read Across Texas: The Veteran Experience series of programs that the Weatherford Public Library is providing," said Community and Events Librarian Rachel Reeves . "Read Across Texas: The Veteran Experience is an initiative of the Texas State Library and Archives Commission's Texas Center for the Book. The program encourages communities to engage in tough but important conversations, with the focus for 2017 on what happens when veterans come home."

The Weatherford Public Library, along with libraries and organizations across Texas, are participating in the inaugural effort to engage dialogue with brave men and women who served in the U.S. military. The goal is to surround and support veterans who are transitioning with their return stateside and make the process smoother for their families as well.

"It's a wonderful thing to give back to our veterans," said Director of Library Services Chris Accardo. "To have the opportunity to give back to the men and women who served our country is an honor and a way for us to say thank you. We are proud of them and hope the event helps them and their families."



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The Veterans Employment and Benefits Fair is a free "come and go" event. For more information about the fair, contact Community and Events Librarian Rachel Reeves at (817) 598-4207 or <a href="mailto:reeves@weatherfordtx.gov">rreeves@weatherfordtx.gov</a>.

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